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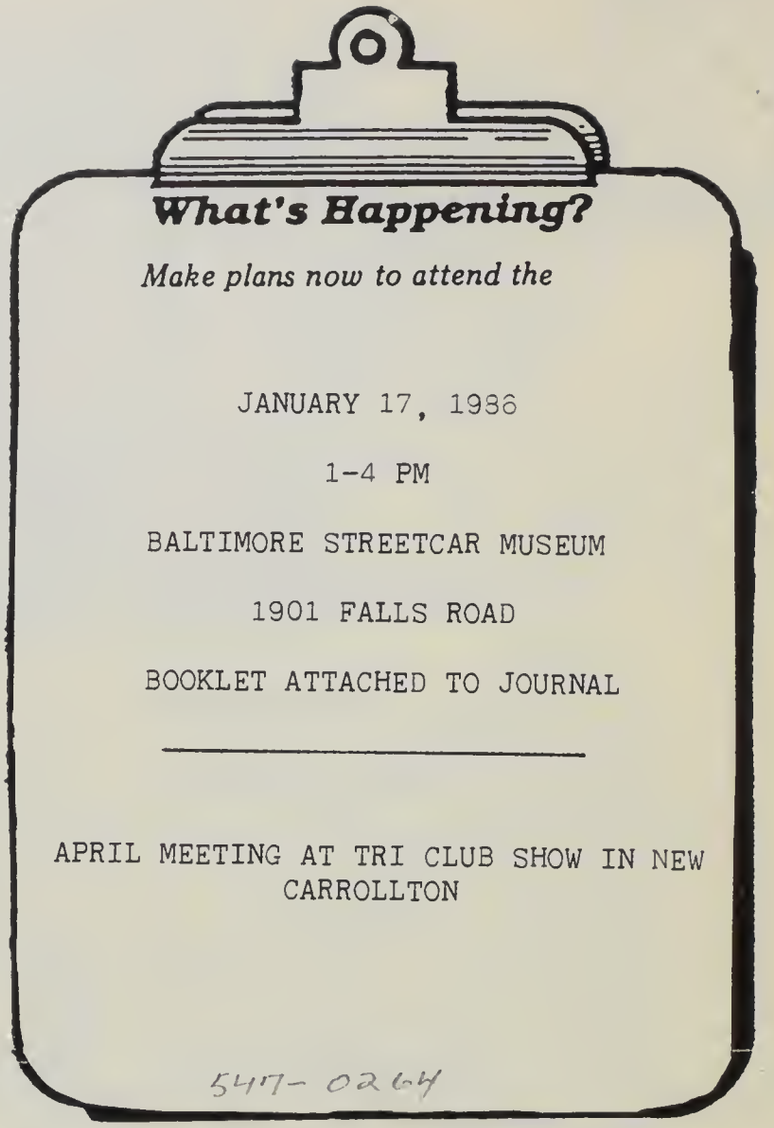

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OUR BOOK ON THE TRADE TOKENS OF MARYLAND IS AT THE PRINTERS AS I WRITE THIS, AND WILL BE READY FOR SALE SHORTLEY AFTER THIS JOURNAL IS PULISHED. DAVE SCHENKMAN IS TO BE HIGHLY COMMENDED FOR HIS LONG, HARD WORK. WHEN YOU LOOK AT THE BOOK, THINK ABOUT THE WORK THAT WENT INTO RESEARCHING AS WELL AS CATALOGING THE THOUSANDS OF TOKENS. IT WAS NECESSARY FOR DAVE TO GO THROUGH SOURCE AFTER SOURCE TO ACCUMULATE THE INFORMATION CONTAINED IN THE CATALOG. HAVING BEEN DEEPLY INVOLVED IN THIS HOBBY FOR THE LAST SEVEN YEARS, I FEEL QUALIFIED TO STATE THAT DAVID SCHENKMAN DOES AMONG THE BEST IF NOT THE BEST JOB OF CATALOGING IN THE COUNTRY. DAVE PRODUCES THE HIGHEST QUALITY CATALOG THAT I HAVE SEEN INT THE TOKEN COLLECTING FIELD. MY PERSONAL AS WELL AS THE SOCIETY'S THANKS GO TO DAVE FOR THE OUTSTANDING JOB HE HAS DONE.

OUR JANUARY 17 MEETING AT THE BALTIMORE STREETCAR MUSEUM IS GOING TO NE A MUST MEETING TO ATTEND. I HAVE INVITED A NUMBER OF MY FRIENDS AND HOPE THAT EACH OF YOU WILL ATTEND AND INVITE SOMEONE TO COME WITH YOU. I PLAN TO TALK A LITTLE ABOUT PRE-1899 BALTIMORE RAILWAYS AND TO BRING SOME OF MY COLLECTIBLES FROM THESE RAILWAYS. OUR AUCTION WILL INCLUDE SOME PRE-1899 BALTIMORE TRANSPORTATION TOKENS AS WELL AS AN ASSORTMENT OF OTHER TOKENS AND INTERESTING ITEMS.

WE RECEIVED A LETTER FROM RON NIELSEN, 14 HUMBERT ST., PRINCETON, N.J. 08542, WHO HAS SOME BRITISH TRADE TOKENS FROM THE 1790'S AND 1810'S. ANYONE INTERESTED IN PURCHASING THEM OR TRADING U.S. COINS FOR TEHM MAY CONTACT RON.

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WE ARE IN NEED OF NEW ARTICLES FOR THIS JOURNAL. YOU HELP IS NEEDED SO THAT WE CAN MAINTAIN THE QUALITY OF, AND INTEREST IN, THE MD. TAMS JOURNAL.

WE AT THE SEARS HOME, JANE, DAVE, AND I, AS WELL AS THE MD TAMS FAMILY WOULD LIKE TO WISH EACH OF YOU AND YOUR FAMILY A HAPPY HOLIDAY AND HAPPY NEW YEAR.

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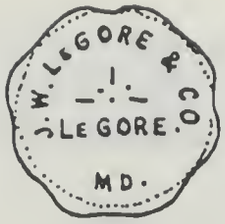

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THANKS,
JANE

Best Wishes for a Happy Holiday Season!

THE SOUTHERN HOTEL

BY RUSS SEARS

THE SOUTHERN HOTEL WAS LOCATED ON THE NORTHEST CORNER OF LIGHT AND REDWOOD STREETS. THAT LOCATION HAD BEEN THE SITE OF THE FOUNTAIN INN (1773-1870) AND LATER THE CARROLLTON HOTEL (1872-1904). THE EARLIER HOTELS HOSTED SUCH FAMOUS PEOPLE AS GEORGE WASHINGTON, THEODORE ROOSEVELT, SARAH BERNHARDT, AND GENERAL GEORGE MC CLELLAN.

ON MARCH 23, 1917, THE LAYING OF THE CORNERSTONE CEREMONIES FOR THE SOUTHERN HOTEL WERE HELD. THE MAN BEHING THE BUILDING OF THE SOUTHERN HOTEL, A.J.FINK, WAS A WEALTHY MAN. IT WAS FINK WHO HIRED ARCHITECT OTTO SIMONSON TO DESIGN THE SOUTHERN . THE HOTEL WAS A SHOW PLACE WHEN IT OPENED ON MARCH 3,1918 WITH DR. MERVILLE CARTER AS ITS PRESIDENT. SOME OF THE FAMOUS PEOPLE WHO STAYED AT THE SOUTHERN WERE CALVIN COOLIDGE, THEODORE ROOSEVELT, FRANKLIN D. ROOSEVELT, HARRY HOUDENI, GENERAL DOUGLAS MAC ARTHUR, AND THE LIST GOES ON AND ON. THE SOUTHERN HOTEL WAS ONE OF THE MOST ELEGANT AND PRESTIGIOUS HOTELS IN THE WORLD.

DOWNTOWN BALTIMORE DECLINED IN THE LATE 1950'S TO 1960'S, RESULTING IN THE CLOSING OF THE HOTEL IN THE MID-1960'S. ALTHOUGH OTHER BUSINESSES TRIED TO OR ACTUALLY OPERATED IN THE BUILDING, THE HOTEL ON THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF LIGHT AND REDWOOD IS JUST A MEMORY.

CHARGE TOKEN

MARYLAND TRANSIT AND VIDEO ARCADE TOKENS WANTED, WILL SWAP OR PURCHASE. ALSO NEED US, CANADIAN, FRENCH, GERMAN, ENGLISH ITEMS FOR MY COLLECTIONS. WHAT DO YOU HAVE? LETS'S SWAP DUPLICATE LISTS.

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BOOK REVIEW

CANNIERIES OF THE EASTERN SHORE
BY R.LEE BURTON JR.

THIS BOOK TRACES THE HISTORY AND IMPORTANCE OF THE CANNING AND PACKING INDUSTRY FROM ITS ORIGIN TO THE ACTUAL OPERATIONS ON MARYLAND'S EASTERN SHORE WITH A LITTLE INFORMATION ABOUT VIRGINIA AND DELAWARE. INFORMATION IS PRESENTED BY COUNTY AND INCLUDES LISTS OF CANNERS AND PACKERS, INFORMATIONS ABOUT SOME OF THE COMPANIES AND PHOTOS OF LABELS, TICKETS, AND TOKENS.

TOKEN COLLECTORS WILL FIND THIS BOOK TO BE VERY HELPFUL IN ATTRIBUTING THE ISSUERS OF TOKENS, BUT SHOULD NOT EXPECT IT TO BE CATALOG OF TOKENS. IT IS COMPRISED OF THE INTERESTING INFORMATION WHICH HELPS BRING HISTORY ALIVE TO THOSE OF USE WHO COLLECT TOKENS. AND, IT IS THE FIRST PUBLICATION WHICH PICTURES MANY OF THE EASTERN SHORE CANNING TOKENS.

I HIGHLY RECOMMEND THE BOOK TO HISTORIANS AND TOKEN COLLECTORS ALIKE. IT WILL PROVE TO BE AN EXCELLENT SUPPLEMENT OF INFORMATION TO THE MARYLAND MERCHANT TOKENS BOOK.

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